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consumer report and that is maintained or otherwise possessed by or on behalf of the credit union for a business purpose. Consumer information also means a compilation of such records. The term does not include any record that does not identify an individual.

- (i) Consumer information includes:
- (A) A consumer report that you obtain:
- (B) Information from a consumer report that you obtain from your affiliate after the consumer has been given a notice and has elected not to opt out of that sharing;
- (C) Information from a consumer report that you obtain about an individual who applies for but does not receive a loan, including any loan sought by an individual for a business purpose;
- (D) Information from a consumer report that you obtain about an individual who guarantees a loan (including a loan to a business entity); or
- (E) Information from a consumer report that you obtain about an employee or prospective employee.
- (ii) Consumer information does not include:
- (A) Aggregate information, such as the mean credit score, derived from a group of consumer reports; or
- (B) Blind data, such as payment history on accounts that are not personally identifiable, you use for developing credit scoring models or for other purposes.
- (2) Consumer report has the same meaning as set forth in the Fair Credit Reporting Act. 15 U.S.C. 1681a(d). The meaning of consumer report is broad and subject to various definitions, conditions and exceptions in the Fair Credit Reporting Act. It includes written or oral communications from a consumer reporting agency to a third party of information used or collected for use in establishing eligibility for credit or insurance used primarily for personal, family or household purposes, and eligibility for employment purposes. Examples include credit reports, bad check lists, and tenant screening reports.

PART 721—INCIDENTAL POWERS

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§ 721.1 What does this part cover?

This part authorizes a federal credit union (you) to engage in activities incidental to your business as set out in this part. This part also describes how interested parties may request a legal opinion on whether an activity is within a federal credit union's incidental powers or apply to add new activities or categories to the regulation. An activity approved in a legal opinion to an interested party or as a result of an application by an interested party to add new activities or categories is recognized as an incidental powers activity for all federal credit unions. This part does not apply to the activities of corporate credit unions.

§ 721.2 What is an incidental powers activity?

An incidental powers activity is one that is necessary or requisite to enable you to carry on effectively the business for which you are incorporated. An activity meets the definition of an incidental power activity if the activity:

- (a) Is convenient or useful in carrying out the mission or business of credit unions consistent with the Federal Credit Union Act:
- (b) Is the functional equivalent or logical outgrowth of activities that are part of the mission or business of credit unions; and
- (c) Involves risks similar in nature to those already assumed as part of the business of credit unions.